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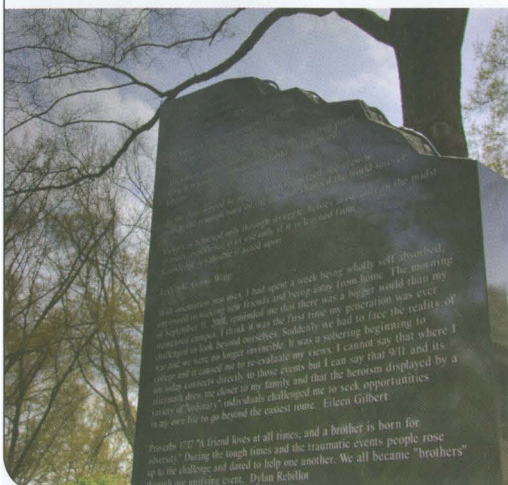
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When it came time for the Class of 2005 to determine its senior gift to the university, its members chose to establish a memorial to September 11, 2001 — their first day of classes as Furman students. The memorial, designed by Anna Martin Winter '05, was installed this spring on the mall side of Furman Hall at the building's central entrance. It features two large granite stones representing the World Trade Center towers. The stones are set in pools of water and face each other; water trickles down the back of each stone. The top of one is rough while the other is whole to represent, respectively, the brokenness caused by the attacks and the resulting unity in the country. Class members' memories of the day are engraved on the stones. Photos by Nathan Guinn.

## Student film named best in national competition

*The Lifestyle Project*, a 12-minute film produced by seven Furman freshmen about living "green" on campus, earned the grand prize and \$15,000 at the Student Conservation Association's "Earth Vision Summit" in Washington, D.C., in April.

*The Lifestyle Project* documents the students' efforts to reduce their impact on the environment. It follows them over a three-week period in which they adopt a vegetarian diet, limit their use of water and electricity, work to generate less trash, and stop driving their cars. As the time passes, the project becomes increasingly rigorous.

The film, which took top honors in the 15-19 age group, emerged from an Introduction to Environmental Science course taught by Weston Dripps as part of the Environmental Community of Students (ECOS) Engaged Living Program. It had earlier earned a \$2,000 regional award to qualify for the national competition.

The contest was sponsored by Mazda and the Student Conservation Association (SCA), a non-profit organization that promotes conservation leadership. SCA offers conservation internships and summer trail crew opportunities to more than 3,000 people each year.

Those involved in *The Lifestyle Project* were Ben Dauten of Northfield, Ill., Grace Tuschak of Pennington, N.J., Courtenay Stroud of The Woodlands, Texas, Corrie Ferguson of Simsbury, Conn., Reece Lyerly of Roswell, Ga., Desmond Lee of Ellenwood, Ga., and Daniel Balo of Lenoir City, Tenn.

Visit [www.thesca.org/contest](http://www.thesca.org/contest) and click on the link to view the film.

Afternoon, our adrenaline...  
With heavy souls, realizing our world had changed forever

As the days slipped by and the heroes emerged, we grew to realize the triumph born on the day that changed the world forever  
Victory is achieved only through struggle, heroes arise only in the face of trials, experience is of use only if it is learned from  
Knowledge is valuable if acted upon

Let's roll! Ginny Wing

With orientation just over, I had spent a week being wholly self-enmeshed in making new friends and being away from home. I of September 11, 2001, reminded me that there was a bigger world out there. I think it was the first time my generation was ever challenged to look beyond ourselves. Suddenly we had to face the reality of war and we were no longer invincible. It was a sobering beginning to college and it caused me to re-evaluate my views. I cannot say that it brought me closer to those events but I can say that it brought me closer to my family and that the heroism displayed by a variety of "ordinary" individuals challenged me to seek opportunities in my own life to go beyond the easiest route. Eileen Gilbert

Proverbs 17:17 "A friend loves at all times, and a brother is born for adversity." During the tough times and the traumatic events people rose up to the challenge and dared to help one another. We all became "brothers" through one unifying event. Dylan Rebillot

It wasn't something I could really fathom. What did this mean? Beginning of attacks that were going to happen all over the United States? Who did it? Were we going to war? Other than sorrow for the lives lost, I didn't know what to think. Greta Thielens

9/11 was tragic, but it connected every single person in this country in a meaningful way. It made us realize that we are vulnerable and that it is essential to survival. Ryland Gore

I don't know any more today what the future will hold than I did on 9/11, somehow I maintain the same calm. Justine Sitema